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Title: SHIPMENT TRANSACTION SYSTEM AND AN ARRANGEMENT
THEREOF

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing of a final Office Action or before the mailing of a Notice of Allowance of the above-identified application.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

Please note that any notations or markings on the attached documents do not reflect particular relevance, or lack thereof, to the present application, nor were they necessarily made by anyone affiliated with the prosecution of the present application.

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35 U.S.C. §§102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. §609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Respectfully submitted,

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